

Teacher wants support for recycling efforts

By Lori Krachuk

Concern grows daily about the environment and how we abuse it. The recent oil spill off the coast of Alaska caused damage which will have profound and lasting effects on the environment.

It's no wonder the slow or non-existent action of governments to implement plans to conserve the environment, has led many people to take independent action.

One of the easiest ways for individuals to participate in environmental protection is to recycle.

At Conestoga, recycling has been set in motion because of the efforts of teacher David Jackson. Physical resources supervisor Barry Milner

said, "David Jackson suggested the program. We are just supplying space and materials."

Jackson, a teacher in the computer programmer/analyst (CPA) course, has started a recycling project in the computer labs which he hopes will spread to other courses in the school.

Jackson got the idea to begin recycling when he was "struck by the amount of photocopying and handouts" done at the college, and thought, "My God, look at the paper we're going through."

Jackson was "always concerned about pollution." He is from Guelph, a city which is gaining a reputation as a pioneer in recycling. He began asking around the

college and it seemed no one wanted to start a recycling project. Jackson started taking recyclable materials home to Guelph for collection.

Three students, Jeff Sutton, Gary Gornik, and Lora Lee Herron, have since become involved.

Jackson said at first students were not very helpful, and often used the collection bins as garbage containers. Jackson became so frustrated he almost gave up.

Instead of cancelling the program, the school janitors began to help by taking away the materials which had been collected. Fine paper has been collected since October. In January, computer paper was added.

The recyclable material is being sent to Tri-Tech Recycling in Kitchener. Tri-Tech charges \$24 to pick up the material the school collects and gives back one cent per pound for mixed paper, three cents per pound for pure fine paper and five cents per pound for recyclable material collected in the old wood skills area.

Computer paper is collected twice a week and separated.

The next step for Jackson is to begin collecting pop cans, newspapers and other materials around the school. He feels the recycling program is "well in place as far as paper things go."

Derek Winkler, a second-year CPA student, thinks the recycling

program is a good idea "because there is so much paper wasted and it can be re-used. There is no reason not to."

Other campuses are also recycling. At the University of Guelph, glass, tin, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, fine paper and even motor-oil are collected as part of the city's program.

Roger Jenkins, assistant director for physical resources, says recycling started 10 to 12 years ago and has become especially active in the last two years. Recycling goes on in every part of the school, including residences, pubs, dining halls and offices.

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Act makes information almost inaccessible

By Zora Jokic

An act protecting people's right to privacy has already created problems for journalism students wanting information on a public relations magazine commissioned by the college.

The students, under the direction of journalism co-ordinator Andrew Jankowski, were asked to produce a magazine focussing on successful graduates, unique faculty, staff and administration.

The magazine would be used mainly as a recruitment tool.

Students contacted the college's program co-ordinators for names of potential interviewees for their

articles, but were stonewalled by those who claimed they could not release information under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

"I think it's being integrated too strictly," Jankowski said.

He's convinced the intent of the act, which is to protect personal information from being traced by name or number, is being misused. Jankowski thinks people contacted were "hiding behind it," because they couldn't be bothered with the extra work of gathering the information. In some cases, obtaining the information requires searching

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Photo by Hilary Stead/Spoke

Orientation gets face-lift

By Trina Eder

To reduce the pressure and anxiety experienced by new students, student services has instituted a new orientation program called Experience Conestoga College.

"September is such a rush, this (new orientation) gives students a chance to become familiar with the college's resources, services and faculty in a more relaxed manner," said Carol Gregory, co-ordinator of student services.

Three-hour orientation sessions will be offered mornings, afternoons and evenings on selected days starting May 8 and ending June 22.

Experience Conestoga College will cover all aspects of college life, including housing, parking, books, lockers and medical forms.

"Booklists will be ready in some courses, parking applications will be available and the OSAP people will be holding special sessions for first-year students," Gregory said.

"Each student will receive a binder divided into three sec-

tions containing information on the college, the programs and the campus . . . everything will be in the binder instead of a pile of loose papers received through the mail," she said.

Peer helpers will take a leading role in the orientation by helping break the ice for new students by conducting tours, sharing their own college experiences, answering questions and helping with program information.

Peer helpers are students now attending Conestoga, recruited to promote the college and programs from a student's perspective.

Student services counsellors, program co-ordinators and faculty members will speak to the students and an information video will be shown.

Information about athletics, student government, student services and OSAP will also be provided.

A second orientation for late-acceptance students will be held August 31.

"Our goal . . . we are trying to make the first day less imposing," Gregory said.

Schoolchildren enjoy first hands-on tour of health sciences hospital lab

The kids all agreed, wrapping each other in bandages was the most fun during Breslau public school's Grade 2 tour of the Doon campus nursing wing March 29.

Nursing students regularly visit schools as part of their studies, to discuss health and nutrition in a program called Health Helpers, said Pat Legault, manager of health sciences.

But touring the nursing facilities was a first.

Twenty-five seven- and eight-year olds, their teacher Laurie Galpin, and several mothers toured a simulated hospital lab used to train students. Two large classrooms are divided into a nursery and three hospital wards, with four beds each.

The visit was arranged by Jennifer Leith, liaison co-ordinator, and Gail Smyth, equipment assistant, after the college was approached by Galpin.

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Tina Busse, 8, listens to Sandra MacNaughton's heartbeat.

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The price of civilization

By Pamela Fraser

Multinationals have long been doing things that Joe Average Citizen would have been hanged for—pollution violations, Third World exploitation, resource destruction, all in the name of big business.

The government tells us we need these corporations. They're employers. They pump money back into our economy.

But do we need them to the extent that we will let them destroy the only planet we have?

Do we need them enough to allow Exxon's environmental expert to say of the Alaskan oil spill, "It's unfortunate, but that's one of the prices we have to pay for civilization."

We have let these corporations walk over us long enough. As long as Canadians insist on electing politicians and parties intent on selling us out for the almighty buck, we will have to face the realities of a corporate world.

We have just lost a portion of the world's most fragile ecosystem. Millions of litres of crude oil have killed birds, fish and sea creatures that were trying to survive.

Exxon has very cleverly moved the spotlight from themselves to their drunken captain, but the fact remains that it was their ship.

If Exxon wants to run the risk of sailing supertankers, they should pay the price. By paying for the cleanup, the re-stocking of fish and the attempts to save the wildlife, Exxon is making a feeble attempt to right an irreparable wrong. No amount of money will replace the wildlife and fish spawning areas lost, or the longterm damage to the arctic environment.

The way things are now, Exxon will receive a fine that amounts to a slap on the wrist. Then they'll buy a new boat, hire a new captain and carry on as usual.

Is this the price we have to pay for civilization? Chalk one up for the barbarians.



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Lisa Steinman
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Romantic appeal could become a nail in Via's coffin

By Hilary Stead

Trains touch an emotional chord in many Canadians. People of every age remember whistles from monstrous black steam engines or the roar of a diesel express. Trains can be like good friends, loyal and trusting, or they can be romantic, a part of everyone's dreams of adventure.

But the romantic appeal of trains could be just the weapon the government might use to eliminate passenger rail service in Canada. At the start of another four or five years of majority government, the first throne speech stresses the need to get tough with government spending to fight the deficit. The image of Via Rail as an under-utilized, heavily-subsidized white elephant makes it an obvious choice for the budgetary axe.

In an atmosphere which urges sacrifice, there is little room for sentimentality. If Finance Minister Michael Wilson is intent on reducing or eliminating Via's annual \$600 million in subsidies without the aggravation of public opposition, it is in his best interest to paint a picture of the railway's supporters as unrealistic history buffs who should join the 20th century.

In fact, while the historical argument for saving passenger service is strong and valid, there are also many practical reasons for increasing government spending on Via, not reducing it.

Airplanes are faster but overcrowded airports, terrorist threats, fuel costs and long delays make the railway a viable alternative.

Cars and buses add to serious air pollution, especially in urban areas where there is a

constant demand for more superhighways.

Transportation is essential to every nation. Canada's geography demands a strong and varied transportation network. Via Rail is an important part of that network but years of government cutbacks and Band-Aid solutions to the problems of aging equipment have left it crippled — neglect has a way of doing that.

In the United States and Europe a lot of government money is being spent to modernize railways and improve passenger service. The American system of government protects Amtrak. It could not be extinguished without the support of its 500-member congress. Canada's cabinet could wipe out Via as easily as it brought in free trade.

Via wants to build a high-speed system which would move passengers between

Montreal and Toronto in three hours. The government should give it the freedom and support to pursue what could be the answer to critical problems in Canada's most heavily travelled corridor.

The Tories seem determined to convince voters that reducing the deficit should take precedence over anything else. Many of our most sacred institutions are feeling the pinch, including the CBC, Canada Post and Air Canada.

Trains makes a lot of sense in a future with the prospect of more traffic and pollution. Thirty years ago, the Avro Arrow was scrapped after an investment of millions of dollars. A lot of federal money has been spent recently on improvements to passenger rail service. Cutting Via Rail now would be another short-sighted political blunder.

Student smashes door 5

A Conestoga College student was taken to St. Mary's Hospital Saturday afternoon after he punched his fist through a glass door at the Doon campus. The student received a deep cut to the inside of one of his arms.

Two students who witnessed the accident said he went towards the door from inside the school, yelling obscenities and punched through the glass, cutting his arm. When he pulled it back through the jagged window, he cut it again.

David Wieland, the security officer on duty, said, "he came running by (the security office) and yelled call an ambulance... he was

screaming and kicking things... he seemed very angry."

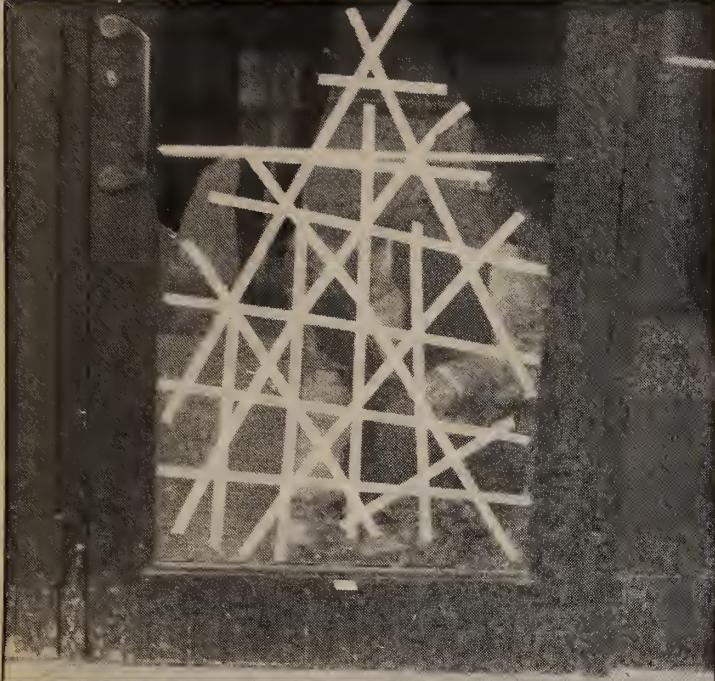
There was a trail of blood from door 5, down the cafeteria steps and back up past student services.

Wieland said the gash in the student's inside forearm was 10 to 15 centimetres long and very deep.

The fire department, ambulance and police arrived shortly after 1:30 p.m.

Bob Gilberds, Doon campus Security Supervisor, refused to comment on the accident.

The student, a Cambridge resident, was back at school the following Monday. It is not known why he punched out the window.



The door 5 entrance to Doon's main building was damaged April 1 by a Conestoga student.

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manually through many files, since computers have only been used to store information in recent years.

Asked how they countered the problem, Jankowski replied students "used their journalistic wiles" to obtain the names of graduates. He said once contacted,

most were willing to co-operate. Barbara Hartleib, freedom of information officer at Conestoga College, said she can see how the act would create difficulty for journalism students.

She named three stipulations data collected by the college must meet, which could pose problems under the act: 1) the purpose for use must be named; 2) legal authority must be cited under the Ministry of Colleges and Universities Act and 3) there must be a contact person within the college who collects the information.

She said "legislators make laws that look easy (to them), but they don't see the ripples," such as the situation the students find themselves in.

Hartleib said the act also includes eliminating the practice of posting student marks. She added most teachers are "reasonable and are trying to be more careful" in how they show students their marks.

"I think we've been very fair in our protection of information and have shared what we could," Hartleib said.



Barbara Hartleib

Conestoga hosts heritage conference

By Trina Eder

As cities grow and available land becomes scarce, the conflict between developers and heritage preservation groups has become a problem for politicians as well.

The Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation sponsored a conference at Conestoga April 1, to expose all sides of the conflict and try to find neutral ground.

The conference, titled Heritage and Development: Partners in the Community? was opened by Marc Denhez, author of the book *Heritage Fights Back*.

More than 75 people took part in workshops and panel discussions,

or listened to speakers present different sides of the issue.

John Latimer of Monarch Construction talked about problems of last-minute confrontations between developers and heritage groups. Sybill Frenette of the Kitchener planning department explained the importance of defining the needs of heritage groups so planners can make professional decisions which avoid conflict.

Dr. Margaret Angus of Frontenac Heritage Trust discussed heritage preservation in Kingston, and Kitchener councillor Mark Yantz explained the difficulties encountered by politicians in planning involving historical sites.

WSA elections draw few voters

By Pat Roberts

It was a clean sweep for the first-year food and beverage program during Waterloo Student Association elections held March 21. All seven executive positions went to students enrolled in the program.

"This is the fifth year in a row the president has come from food and beverages," said president-elect Brad Smith, who takes over from John Pereira.

Jennifer Braid was acclaimed vice-president, an office left empty last year. Marlene Reis was elected secretary, Karen Jacobs, treasurer, Marnie Duffy, activities co-ordinator and Mark Howard, official photographer. Debbie Schiedel, who ran against Smith for the presidency, is the new pub co-ordinator.

Smith said it was a "lazy voter turnout," although the cafeteria was full for the candidate speeches March 16. Only 71 of 388 students attending Waterloo campus cast

their ballots on election day.

Settling in quickly, the new executive is busy promoting an end-of-the-year pub. The "Goodbye

Bash" will be held in the cafeteria April 28 from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. A disc jockey will supply the music and tickets are \$2.



Waterloo's 1989-90 executive

Photo by Pat Roberts/Spoke

Front row: (l-r) Marnie Duffy, Debbie Schiedel, Marlene Reis
Back: (l-r) Karen Jacobs, Mark Howard, Jennifer Braid, Brad Smith

Guelph sets recycling precedent

By Lori Krachuk

The City of Guelph has set a new precedent in recycling — collecting plastics.

And it looks like the city's blue box recycling efforts are proving worthwhile.

Approximately 97 per cent of Guelph households are participating in the recycling program, said Alexandra Cunningham, Guelph's assistant waste management co-ordinator.

Even apartment buildings are participating, by collecting recyclable articles — newspapers, fine paper, tin, aluminum, glass, cardboard and rigid plastic containers — in large bins.

The city uses McLellan Disposal Services Ltd., which charges \$33 per ton to process recyclable material.

The recycling program began in May 1987. Before an official program was in place, local citizens ran a volunteer depot.

George Riddell, a dispatcher at McLellan, said about one quarter of the waste collected is recycled, and the company is working to increase that figure to one-half.

In Cambridge, recycling has not yet branched out to include apartment buildings.

Robert McKenzie, assistant director of public works, said Cambridge began a successful recycling program two years ago.

"Just going out on collection day reflects the success," said McKenzie.

Curbside Recycling handles the city's recycling and collects tin, paper, cardboard, glass and large plastic pop containers only.

Kitchener, like Cambridge, does not collect from multi-unit housing. Steve Gyorffy, Kitchener's director of operations, said plans are in the works for multi-unit housing to be included, but nothing has been confirmed yet.

Kitchener's recycling program was researched and set up about five years ago by Laidlaw Waste Systems Ltd. Glass, tin and aluminum cans, motor oil and newspaper are collected. City Hall sends its fine paper waste to a recycling company in Toronto. Gyorffy said there is talk of collecting plastic as Guelph does.

About 17 per cent of the total weight of garbage collected is recyclable and there is 80 per cent participation in the city.

Waterloo's recycling program began in June 1988, when the city joined with Waterloo Region to

begin a program.

Only single-family dwellings receive the blue boxes for collection of glass, newspaper, tin and aluminum cans and large pop containers. Bill Garibaldi, maintenance management co-ordinator, said the city is not ready to collect all plastics like Guelph.

Garibaldi said a recycling committee is looking at beginning a pilot project to include collection in townhouses and multi-unit housing projects.

Garibaldi calls the program an "absolute success." Within the first six months of the program, 10 per cent of waste was diverted from landfill sites. There is a lot of participation and recycling seems "to be getting through to people," said Garibaldi.

Continued participation by residents along with the recycling programs in these cities is helping to make this region one of the most environmentally conscious areas in southern Ontario.

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"It seems everyone is into it," he says.

At the University of Waterloo, the recycling program is somewhat confused. Research co-ordinator Kara Symbolic said the recycling program shut down last November because the university was unable to find a suitable company to handle the collection. Since January,

student groups such as the environmental studies coffee shop and Imprint have been collecting materials such as glass newspapers, fine paper and tin.

Recycling will continue at Conestoga if, according to Jackson, assistance is provided.

"We need the full support of the college to make available a large enough space to store the stuff."

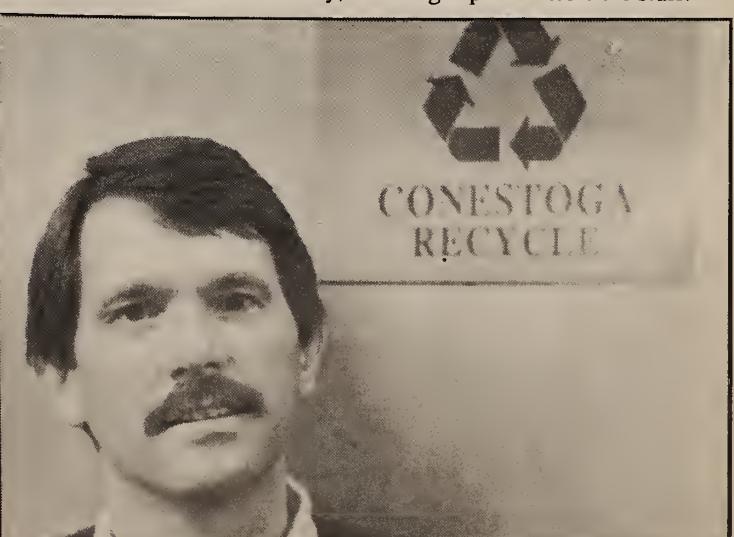


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David Jackson, CPA teacher hopes his recycling efforts will branch into other programs.

Students listen to students

By Trina Eder

Peer helpers, presently a pilot program, is expanding to the applied arts programs at Doon campus as well as diploma programs at Guelph and Waterloo campuses.

At this point, Valerie Allen, peer helping service administrator, is still hiring peer helpers to represent some applied arts programs. Health sciences will have five, two will be assigned to early childhood education and every other program will have one.

To be eligible for a peer helping position, the student must be enrolled at Conestoga until the end of the next school year and maintain a minimum B average. As well, leadership qualities and strong communication skills are recommended.

By the end of April, 46 new peer helpers will have been hired and will be ready to start their training. Training involves 18 hours of workshops and seminars covering communication skills, student development, team building, public speaking and working with special needs groups. As well, they will spend time learning about the college facilities and resources, how to give a tour and about the history of colleges and universities.

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Peer helping is a concept that began at Conestoga during the 1986-87 school year. After Allen spent nine months researching and developing a peer helping model, the college decided not to run the program.

However, in August 1988, Allen was rehired to implement peer helping in the technology and business divisions at the Doon campus only.

The decision to institute peer helping in technology and business was based on need. "We looked at areas that were having difficulties," Allen said.

After four months in operation Allen said "the college administration decided to take (peer helping) one step further by expanding to applied arts . . . and diploma programs at the Waterloo and Guelph campuses."

"It worked so well in (the technology and business) divisions that other programs wanted it too," she said.

When the program started in September, 19 peer helpers were hired. The program was in operation by October after the new helpers had received 18 hours of training.

Peer helpers represent their programs as well as the college.

They help distribute program information and assist with telephone campaigns, tours of the college and presentations to high schools. "They're like ambassadors," Allen said.

"Often people mix up peer helping and peer tutoring," Allen said, "but peer helping looks at everything but academics. It is very much peer focused, based on the concept that students listen to students more than they would anyone else."

"If a student asked me if I think he could handle school as well as working 30 hours a week and I said probably not, he would most likely try to do it. If another student said the same thing he would probably listen," Allen said.



Photo by Nancy Medeiros/Spoke

Jo-anne Morgan, administrator of peer tutoring, accepts the DSA annual peer tutoring award contribution of \$1,000 from Byron Shantz as Carol Gregory, co-ordinator of student services looks on.

CUSO offers overseas work opportunities

By Pamela Fraser

Job hunting is always foremost in the minds of graduating students as April and the end of another school year fast approaches. Finding a job is not always easy, and the job not always fulfilling. But an alternative is available to college graduates with two years work experience in their field.

CUSO (formerly Canadian University Services Overseas, now simply one word), offers college and university graduates, as well as members of the general public, the chance to share their skills and knowledge with people in developing nations.

"CUSO was established as a university-run organization in 1961, but has evolved to include all Canadians, thus prompting the organization to drop the university reference from its name," said Vera Leavoy, international programs officer at the University of Waterloo. The agency works with Third World community groups to improve the lives of the poor and the powerless such as slum dwellers, poor women, peasant farmers and the landless.

Since the organization was founded, more than 9000 Canadians have worked on two-year contracts with the agency in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Latin America and the South Pacific. The average age of a CUSO worker is 30, but ages range from 20 to 70.

"CUSO workers are unique from other relief agencies in that their assistance is requested by the country of placement, usually due to the fact that there is not a local person available to perform the job," said Leavoy. Payment is in local currency, thus easing the new worker's entry into the workplace.

CUSO workers earn \$5,000 to \$8,000 per year in local currency, with \$7,000 CDN in cash benefits over two years. Accommodation is provided free or subsidized, return airfare is provided by CUSO and there is generally four weeks paid vacation per year.

CUSO workers are needed in all areas of trades and technology, health services, education, business and agriculture.

Although CUSO's original mandate was the placement of skilled

personnel overseas, the rising education levels in developing countries has lead to a decrease in demand for skilled workers, but an increase in demand for project support workers.

CUSO is not the only organization that offers college graduates opportunities to work in developing nations.

The Province of Ontario, in conjunction with York University, has come to an agreement with the Jiangsu province of China to set up an educational exchange program. Students from both countries will work or attend school in their "sister" provinces. Applicants need only be students or faculty of a post-secondary institution in Ontario to apply.

Courses offered at the Chinese universities range from acupuncture to an intense, one-year course in the Chinese language. Research grants are also available to researchers and faculty.

Applications for the Jiangsu exchange are due Oct. 25, 1989. Ontario expects to send 20-25 students to China per year.



Photo by Trina Eder/Spoke

Mary Gibson, peer helper and Valerie Allen, peer helping service administrator.

Banquet presents 27 awards

By Scott McNichol

Top achievers shared the spotlight as 27 awards were presented at the annual business banquet held March 31.

Students from Conestoga College's four business programs attended a dinner and awards presentation in the main hall of the Concordia Club, Kitchener.

Patrick Morgan, a business administration and accounting teacher, was master of ceremonies. Guest speaker was Douglas W. Dodds, president and chief executive officer of Schneider Corporation since January 1988.

Dodds, who received his professional accounting designation (CMA) in 1973, spoke to students about free trade, the environment and technology.

"You must be prepared to change, grow and understand what goes on around you," said Dodds.

John Nemeth, a third-year marketing student, presented Dodds with a squash racket on behalf of the business students.

Of the 27 awards, eight awards were presented to accounting students, one in the computer programmer analyst program, three in the management studies program and 12 awards went to

marketing students.

The overall business program awards included the Bob Gilbert Memorial Award, given to Don Fusco, a marketing student. "The award goes to the third-year student who had the highest academic achievement and contributed the most to college life. Fusco also received \$300.

The Canada Packer's Award, given to Judi Kosaras, management studies, goes to the second-year student with the highest academic standing, who contributed the most toward college and community life. Kosaras received \$750.

The Mutual Life Award, given to Sheldon Butts, marketing, goes to the third-year student with the best academic standing through all three years. Butts achieved straight A's in all his courses.

College president John Tibbits wished the students luck in their future endeavors.

Morgan closed the ceremonies with a special thanks to Steve McDonald, co-ordinator of the business administration and marketing programs, who was the backbone of the whole event. The evening continued with a dance hosted by a local disc jockey.

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Bible and rock mix

By Pamela Fraser

Kenny Marks and the Remarkables rocked Conestoga's recreation centre Saturday April 1 with their own form of Christian music.

More than 700 people attended the concert sponsored by Emmanuel Bible College in Kitchener.

Marks and his band, George Coccini on guitar, Dave Dimmel on drums, Randy Moore on bass, Marcus Douthit on sax and Sam Scott on keyboard, come from Nashville, Tennessee, where they are all professional musicians.

"We've been together about four years," Marks said. "I do a lot of solo work, so when we're not working together as a band, the other guys do either studio work or commercials."

The band recently returned from a two-month tour of Australia.

"I like to make my music as basic as possible," said Marks. "I like it to be the kind that if people want, they can pick up a guitar and be able to work out the tune."

Although Marks said he tries to

aim his music at the 12- to 30-year-old range, his greatest popularity obviously lies in the teenage female category. At one point during his performance, Marks invited a few girls on stage, and was instantly mobbed.

Although Christian rock may not appeal to everyone, Marks' music overcomes this by being simply good music. His lyrics do not preach, but deal with what he calls real-life situations.

"My music is really basic," Marks said. "My songs don't talk about fantasy, they talk about real stuff." Marks had the audience clapping and singing throughout the concert, and they responded enthusiastically.

After the show, Marks mingled with the audience, signing everything from scraps of paper to empty pop cans.

Marks is now off to Philadelphia for a three-day engagement, then to Nashville to work on a new Kenny Marks and the Remarkables album, to be released in the fall.

Fast program for fast system

By Scott McNichol

A good understanding of metrology could be worth about \$300 in measuring equipment to a Conestoga College automated manufacturing student.

A contest — sponsored by Mitutoyo, a manufacturer of measuring equipment — is open to any student who can come up with the shortest computer program that will measure a specific component. Students must use the FJ604 Co-Ordinate Measuring Machine (CMM) made by the company. The component and necessary information has been supplied.

The program can be done using the equipment in the college metrology lab. All entries are due on April 14.

Entries will be judged by a representative of the company and two faculty members. The award will be presented at the mechanical awards dinner on April 28.

"Metrology is basically the science of measurement," says David McIntosh, technical teacher. He added most people

who hear the course name think it's about the study of meteors.

The course's proper name is metrology and materials testing. It is a 48-hour course open to all students taking automated manufacturing. Students learn many of the skills needed in the area of quality control.

Using the FJ604 CMM, which is part of the metrology lab, and a Hewlett-Packard computer, students learn how to check product measurements more quickly than by conventional methods.

The CMM, costing approximately \$65,000, has a ruby-tipped sensor that records specific dimensions with extreme accuracy. The CMM is hooked up to a Hewlett-Packard computer which runs a program called GEOPAK.

With this system, someone working in the area of quality control has an advantage over those using conventional methods because, according to McIntosh, it is more accurate and provides instant results on a computer print-out.

"The system is 32 times faster than what used to be done," says McIntosh.

A TOUCH OF CLASS



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\$14/Person Waterloo Inn Friday April 28th
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8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

Tickets can be purchased at the DSA, Activities Office or Student Services



Photo by Pamela Fraser/Spoke

Kenny Marks welcomes some of his fans on stage at his concert at the recreation centre April 1.

Contest aids Sick Kids Hospital

By Pat Roberts

Attention all graphics students or closet Picassos.

Get your pencils, paper and creativity together and enter the "Design a Watch Competition" from Cosmoda Design, sole agent for Swatch in Canada. You could win \$1,000, while helping to raise funds for the Hospital for Sick Children.

A \$1 entry fee, which must accompany each design submitted, will be matched by Cosmoda and presented to the foundation during an awards ceremony at the Hospital for Sick Children on May 25.

"We held a similar contest a few years ago in association with design schools and received thousands of entries," said Andrew Menceles, president of

Cosmoda.

"This year's competition is also open to the public, and we hope we will get a huge response, so the money raised will really make a difference to the Hospital for Sick Children."

Co-sponsored by The Bay, 1050 CHUM Radio and FT-Fashion-Television, the contest is open to everyone over 10 years of age. Prizes will be awarded in five categories: ages 10 to 13, secondary school students, design students enrolled in a recognized college or university, professional designers, and general, which includes non-professionals or non-students.

The design must be usable as a watch face and can be in any medium, in full color or black and white. Entry art boards must be no

larger than 8 1/2 x 11" with a completed entry form pasted to the back. All designs become the property of Cosmoda/Swatch.

Judges representing each of the sponsors will select 10 semi-finalists, two from each category. First, second and third prize winners will be chosen from these 10.

First prize is \$1,000, plus 10 limited-edition watches made up in the winning design and a Swatch watch. Second prize is \$500, plus a Week 'o' Watches from Swatch, and third prize is a Week 'o' Watches. The remaining seven semi-finalists each receive a Swatch watch.

The deadline for entries is May 1 and entry details and forms are available in 22 Bay and Simpson's stores, or from Cosmoda Design, 15 Kodiak Cres., North York, Ont.

Trip to Florida is the icing on the cake

By Nancy Medeiros

It may not have been the jackpot in Lotto 6/49, but Sandy McKean's trip for two to Dunedin, Fla. was just fine with her.

The first-year nursing student's name was picked in a draw sponsored by Labatt's at the last Doon pub of the year March 16.

At first McKean didn't even realize she had won a chance to see the Toronto Blue Jays in spring training when her name was announced. A chocolate cake is the only other prize McKean has ever won, "but that was baked by my girlfriend's mother and I could have had one anytime."

McKean stayed at the Bellevue Biltmore resort, near Clearwater, which is equipped with an indoor and outdoor pool, tennis courts, a private beach, four golf courses and many restaurants and shops.

Near the resort was a bridge leading to a little island with five or six mansions. "We were talking to a local kid, who was fishing just off the bridge, and he said Hulk Hogan lives in one of the houses," she said. McKean had an opportunity to walk around the island, but she didn't meet any of the famous residents.

The trip included passes to see the Jays' game and an invitation to the exclusive banquet for fans. Players Rob Ducey, Tom Henke and Ernie Whitt were happy to talk to Mc-

Kean and other fans, but, she said, many of the players were a little arrogant. "A lot of them acted like you were interrupting them, you were really disturbing them, if you went up and talked to them," she said.



Photo by Lisa Shiels/Spoke

Sandy McKean, first-year nursing student, accepts a trip for two to Florida from pub manager Rick Campbell.

Lines, crowds and expensive items didn't deter visitors at syrup festival

Story and photos by Lisa Shiels

Despite cool weather and crowded streets, the Elmira Maple Syrup Festival was an event not to be missed.

Saturday's annual event kicked off at 7:30 a.m. After parking our car, we took a hay ride to the main street of Elmira. The air was filled with the aroma of maple syrup and sausages. Everywhere around us we could see booths and stores selling crafts, silver and, of course, food.

We stopped first in a little res-

taurant for some pancakes. The prices were reasonable, mainly because so many places hoped to attract customers with their prices.

The lineups were incredible but the wait wasn't too long. Wandering around and studying the many exhibits helped to pass the time.

Several guided tours were offered, including the Countryside Heritage Tour, which featured a stop at Kissing Bridge, the only covered bridge in Ontario still standing.

Antiques and toys were also on display and available for sale. Merchants from all over Ontario displayed their goods at a huge arts and crafts show in the high school auditorium. One of the main attractions was a group of Mennonite women sitting in a circle, working on a large quilt. Their skill and patience was admirable.

People were friendly and more than willing to talk about their displays. An older couple wanted to adopt me because I liked their work so much.

Most of the food stands dished out samples of their goods to tempt would-be buyers. There didn't seem to be any way to attend the festival without gaining a few pounds. Everything was so delicious.

After all the food we consumed, it was time to work off the calories. This was easy since there were so many places to walk. By the time I glanced at my watch, we had walked for over six and a half hours.

For children, and the young at heart, there was a puppet show, story-telling and cartoon characters' hands to shake on the streets.

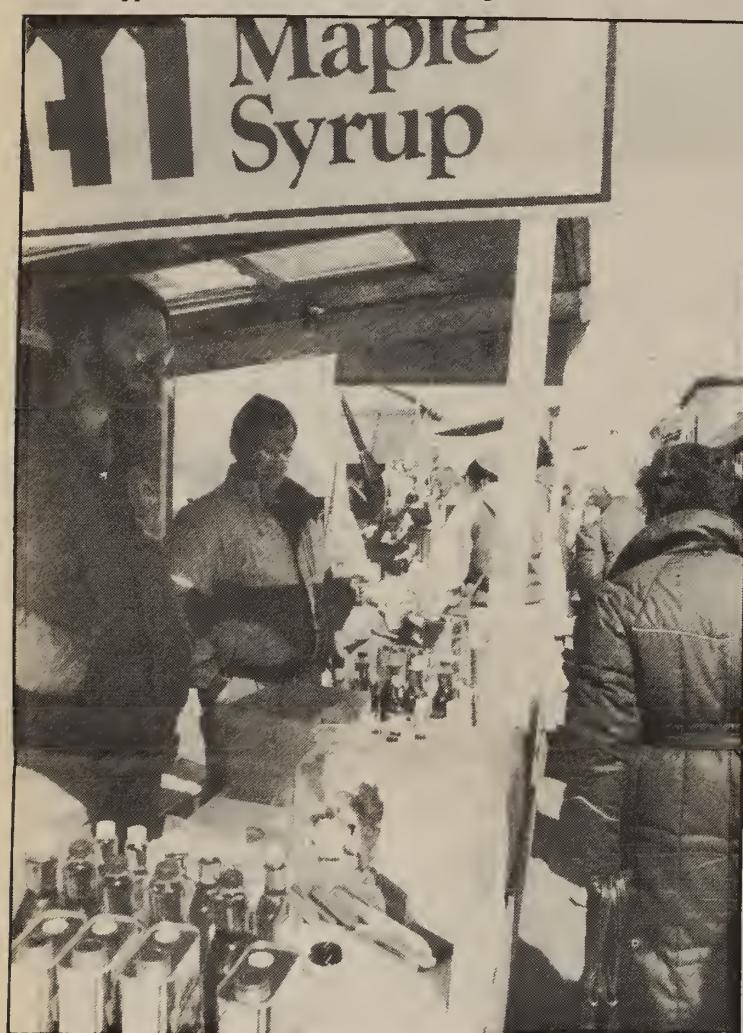


Joey Edinburgh displays a wooden airplane at the festival.

Unfortunately, due to the cool weather, the sap wasn't running well this season. Prices for maple syrup were fairly expensive but it sold well because it was the main reason most people came.

Before leaving the festival, I spent all my money on fudge, sil-

ver, potpourri, food and the events I attended. I was thoroughly exhausted by the end of the day, but I can't remember when I have enjoyed myself more. As we boarded the hay ride to go back to our car, I promised myself I would return next year.



Nobody can resist fresh maple syrup.



Two local residents attempt to saw a piece of wood the fastest to win the contest.

CLASSIFIED

Rates for classified ads are \$2 for 20 words or less and 20 cents per word after that. Ads must be paid for by cash at the time of submission.

Ads are due by Friday at noon, ten days before publication date and are subject to editing and approval.

There is no charge for community events.

PERSONAL

Le Woodstock: Thanks for the ride. Woodstock will never be the same! It was the best ride we ever had. Luv, the girls.

Hey Sexy! Beer, beaches, bikinis and the wild thing. Think your boat can handle it?

Pooch, I think you should move in. Who knows, it could be fun!!! Luv, Red.

Lost - George, I want my monkey back! And I will hold him and I will love him and I will Call him George.

Scouter Paul: You can start my fire anytime! See ya in Algonquin Park May 2-4 (or in Woodstock - whichever comes first...) Luv, Coon Bear.

My dear little tightie:

You may be small but
You still is mightie
You'll be quite the camper
The 2-4 won't be damper
I'll bring the Bakker
If you be the maker!
May the force be with you.

Wondertwin: You're looking mighty fine in those tightie pants. Will ya party with me on the May 2-4? Signed, the tightie wanna be.

FOR SALE

Newest Thomas Dolby CD. Played only twice. Asking \$12. Phone 1-767-0792.

CALENDAR EVENTS

Kitchener Public Library
85 Queen Street North
Kitchener, Ontario.

Tuesday, April 11

Fly KPL To Nepal - 8 p.m.
Mr. S.J. (Steve) Menich takes us on a 280 mile trek in the mountains of Nepal through lush valleys and breathtaking Himalayan scenery. The world's deepest gorge will awe us with walls rising from an 8,000 foot base to a summit of over 26,000 feet. KPL Main.

COMMUNITY

The One-To-One Program at Canadian Mental Health Association links caring volunteers with persons experiencing emotional or mental health problems. A befriending relationship will assist the client in the development of social skills, self-confidence and self-esteem. No special skills are needed but volunteers are provided with 8 hours of training. The next training program commences May 2. To volunteer call 744-7645.

April 9-15 is VOLUNTEER WEEK! Community Volunteer Recognition Dinner, Wed., April 12, 1989, 6:30 p.m. Cenestoga Inn, Kitchener. Entertainment by Bierdo Brothers. Come on out and honor our volunteers. Cost \$16. For information or to reserve, phone 742-8610, Volunteer Placement Service.

SUMMER JOBS

Ameri-source is a nationwide, established wholesale distributor of computers and cellular phones. This year the company has expanded its operations and has vacancies in its aqua-lawn division for summer, 1989. Will set-up and maintain summer-long businesses selling and installing simple underground lawn-sprinkler systems in the area. Training and materials provided. Own transportation useful. Highly profitable work. Submit resume by April 20, 1989. Contact Lee Easton (416) 890-9749.

TYPING

WORD PROCESSING/TYPING SERVICES, professional, reasonable; reports, resumes, theses, etc, off Homer Watson Blvd., Caren's Word Services, 748-4389, after 5 p.m.

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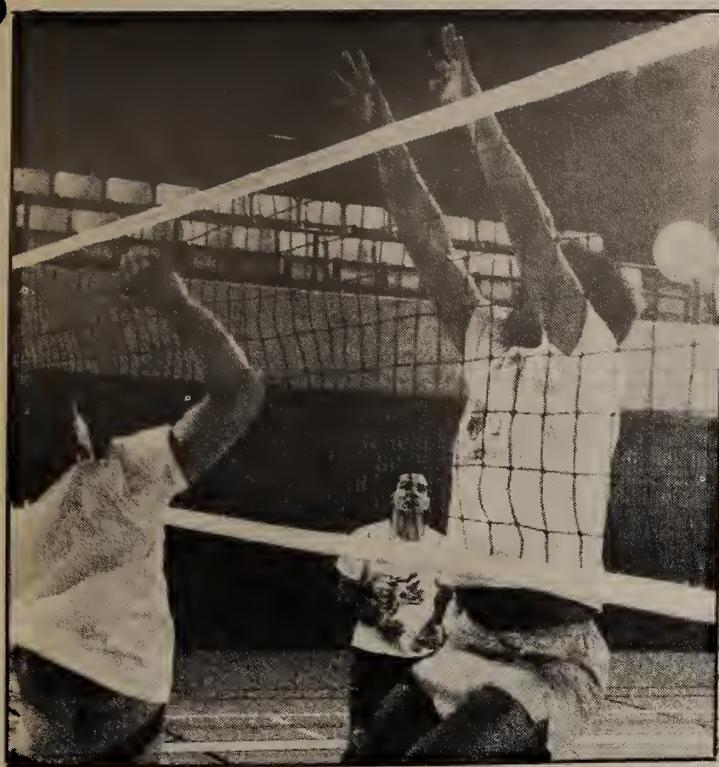


Photo by Eric Schmiedl/Spoke

A hard shot slips through the Fuzzy Bears' defenses.

Hawks bounce Rubber Love

By Eric Schmiedl

The Hawks beat out Rubber Love 75-52 on March 29 to become this year's intramural basketball champions.

Rubber Love drew first blood early in the game, but the Hawks quickly sprang to life, taking the lead away from their opponents. Despite hard work from the Rubber Love crew and a flurry of shots from Claudio Barbirolo, the Hawks continued to pull away in the first half.

The Rubber Love lineup had a few chances for some good one-pointers in the first 20 minutes, but they weren't able to take full advantage of these opportunities. At the end of the first half, the Hawks led 38-23.

The second half saw some excellent long shots from Kevin Flanagan for the Hawks, as well as hard playing and lots of action by both teams. Players pounded back and forth across the court as control shifted continually from one group to the other.

The excellent comeback effort exhibited by Rubber Love was matched by the Hawks throughout the last half of the game. Rubber Love held their own during this time, but was unable to make any headway against the Hawks' lead.

The Hawks lineup consisted of second and third-year marketing students from the Doon campus. Materials management students from the Guelph campus got together to form Rubber Love.

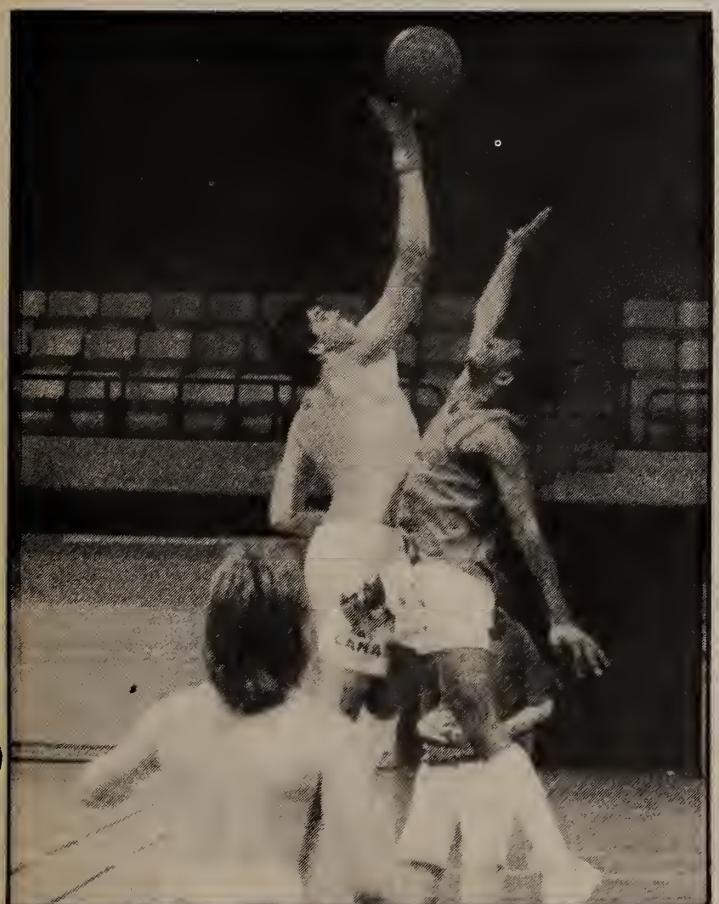


Photo by Eric Schmiedl/Spoke

Randy Scott and Anard Narim strain for control of the ball.

LASA teamwork clinches final volleyball victory

By Eric Schmiedl

Lasa Two beat the Fuzzy Bears three games to one in a best-of-five series to win this year's intramural volleyball championship March 30.

The well-organized Lasas got off to a quick start with a flurry of points, augmented by quick defensive maneuvering by Kim Brown. They continued the excellent teamwork to end the match 15-5 in their favor.

In game two, the Fuzzy Bears put up a better fight and took an early 3-1 lead. But the Lasas bounced back, putting pressure on the op-

position to tie the game 4-4. Tough spiking from Brown for the Lasas and Randy Scott for the Fuzzies kept the two teams neck-and-neck through the game.

With the score 13-12 for the Lasas, Fuzzy Bear player Pat Wuytenburg left the game with an injured ankle from a fall. The short-staffed Fuzzy Bear crew couldn't rally and the game ended 15-13.

The Fuzzy Bears made another great comeback attempt in the third game. Scott opened the scoring, giving the Fuzzies the lead in the beginning of the match. The determined Lasas once again came

from behind to even the match 4-4. However, the trailing Fuzzies were still hungry for a win, and came alive to smash the Lasas 15-4.

The fourth and final game was overwhelmingly Lasa Two's. They pulled together for a 5-0 lead in the opening minutes of the match, but the Fuzzy Bears weren't quite ready to admit defeat, and both teams exhibited tremendous drive.

Despite their valiant effort, the Fuzzies were unable to make up the deficit. Trevor Lumb volleyed Lasa Two's final serve, closing the game at 15-4.

Athlete of the week

Tom LeLacheur



Tom LeLacheur of the soccer Condors has been named Athlete of the week at Conestoga College for the week of April 3. LeLacheur was outstanding during Conestoga's gold-medal victory at the O.C.A.A. championships. LeLacheur is enrolled in the second year of the wood technician program at the Doon campus.

Intramural team of the week



Busters - hockey champions

Front row:(l-r) Dan Lintner, Shawn Hamill. Back row:(l-r) Jeff Coulter, Cam MacIntyre, George Branden, Rob Scott, Doug McIntosh, Randy Viragh. Absent: Karl Ball, Ian Taylor, Scott Long, Steve Babstock, Dave Mills, Rick Campbell.

Kids are all smiles

tour from page one

Legault, nurse technologists Louise Malison and Beverly Barr, and community health nursing instructors Elizabeth McNair and Mary Carley, organized and conducted the one-and-a-half-hour excursion.

Bright balloons and a big welcome sign dominated the bulletin board outside the classrooms and posters outlining basic health practices hung on walls.

The classrooms were divided into four stations and the youngsters into four groups, with each group spending 15 minutes at a station. Children took their temperatures with an electronic thermometer and discussed proper eating habits at the first. When told the plastic food was not to be eaten, seven-year-old Mike McLaughlin dead-panned, "No kidding."

The next stop was the nursery, complete with cribs, bassinettes and four lifelike newborn dolls. Proper handling of a baby, holding a bottle and how to bundle an infant in a blanket were discussed with knowing comments coming from experienced, older siblings.

"This one's not like my baby sister, she got sick," said Erin Hoffman, 7.

Eight-year-old Richard Hoch agreed. "At least these babies don't spit up on you."

When Malison asked if anyone knew how to burp an infant, seven-year-old D. W. Horton suggested pushing on its stomach.

"Not quite," said Malison.

"Push on its back?" countered Josh MacNaughton, 8.

"Kind of," she said.

Undaunted, MacNaughton tried again. "Push on its side?"

The bell rang to switch stations and Christopher Weiland, 7, condensed the lesson into one economic sentence for the next group. "You have to hold it, feed it and wrap it."

Blood pressures and heartbeats was the theme of the third station. Each child used a stethoscope to listen to their own and each other's breathing and heart beating, and some had their blood pressure taken.

Last stop was the favorite — the bandages. Carley demonstrated how to wrap an injury with an elastic bandage and then let them try. Seven-year-old Ryan Alisher caught on right away as he wrapped his ankle like a pro.

"It's sort of how you tape a hockey stick," he said.

Different medical procedures, like intravenous feeding and a tracheotomy, were explained using a special mannequin designed for nursing students.

The time went quickly and when the tour ended each child received a picture to color, drawn by first-year graphics student James Machan.

After juice and cookies in the cafeteria, they headed home a little wiser about good health, hospitals — and bandages.

As a result of publicity, Leith expects positive response from the community and invites anyone interested in touring the nursing facilities to visit the college during Education Week, the last week in April. Public tours will be held at Doon campus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.



The bandages were the best part according to Ryan Richardson (left), 7, and Ryan Alisher, 7.

Story by Pat Roberts

Photos by Hilary Stead



D.W. Horton, 8, was all eyes during his visit to Conestoga.



Christine Martin said she was "glad to be here instead of school."



Matthew Karn



Kristin Beirnes (left), 7, Jessie Balog, almost 8 and Karen Cummings, 7, enjoy a snack at the cafeteria after the tour.